I CLAIM:

- 1. A method for opiate detoxification comprising administering an opiod antagonist at a rate greater than 0.4 mg/kg/hr.
- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said opiod antagonist is administered at a rate greater than 4 mg/hr.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the opiod antagonist is administered at rate greater than 0.6 mg/kg/hr but less than or equal to 1.4 mg/kg/hr.
- 4. The method of claim 1 further comprising simultaneously administering Precedex at a rate greater than or equal to 1.5 mg/kg/hr.
- 5. The method of claim 1 wherein said opiod antagonist is administered in a single dosage of 50 mg.
- 6. The method of claim 1 wherein said opiod antagonist is Naloxone.
- 7. The method claim 6 wherein the Naloxone is administered at a rate greater than 4 mg/hr.
- 8. The method of claim 6 wherein the Naloxone is administered at rate greater than $0.6~\rm mg/kg/hr$ but less than or equal to $1.4~\rm mg/kg/hr$.
- 9. The method of claim 6 further comprising simultaneously administering Precedex at a rate greater than or equal to 1.5 mg/kg/hr.
- 10. The method of claim 6 wherein the Naloxone is administered in a single dosage of 50 mg.
- 11. The method of claim 1 wherein said opiod antagonist is Revex.
- 12. A method for opiate detoxification comprising administering Revex at a rate greater than or equal to 0.32 mg/kg/hr.
- 13. A method for detoxifying a patient addicted to an opiate, comprising:

anesthetizing the patient; and

administering an opiod antagonist selected from the group consisting of Naloxone and Revex at a rate of at least 0.6 mg/kg/hr.

- 14. The method of claim 13 further comprising simultaneously administering Precedex at a rate of at least 1.5 mg/kg/hr.
- 15. The method of claim 13 further comprising stopping said administering of said opiod antagonist and giving the patient Revex.
- 16. The method of claim 15 further comprising giving 8 mg of Revex to the patient.
- 17. The method of claim 13 further comprising intubating the patient prior to said administering of an opiod antagonist.
- 18. The method of claim 13 further comprising giving Valium, Xanax and Trazedone orally prior to anesthetizing the patient.
- 19. The method of claim 13 further comprising giving he patient antiemetics and antiperistaltic agents prior to administering an opiod antagonist.
- 20. The method of claim 13 further comprising giving the patient an antihistamine agent prior to administering said opiod antagonist.
- 21. The method of claim 13 further comprising administering an opiod antagonist for substantially one hour.
- 22. A process for opiate dependency detoxification, comprising:

anesthetizing a patient;

intubating the patient;

stabilizing the cardiovascular activity of the patient; and

administering an opiod antagonist selected from the group consisting of Naloxone and Revex to the patient at a rate greater than 0.6 mg/kg/hr.

- 23. The method of claim 22 further comprising giving Valium, Xanax and Trazedone orally prior to anesthetizing the patient.
- 24. The method of claim 22 further comprising giving he patient antiemetics and antiperistaltic agents prior to administering an opiod antagonist.
- 25. The method of claim 22 wherein anesthetizing a patient comprises giving the patient Valium, Xanax and Trazedone by mouth.
- 26. The method of claim 22 wherein stabilizing the cardiovascular activity of the patient comprises administering and titrating Precedex to the patient.
- 27. The method of claim 22 further comprising giving 8 mg of Revex to the patient.
- 28. The method of claim 22 further comprising giving the patient an antihistamine agent prior to administering said opiod antagonist.